

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 180  
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A RESOLUTION to name a certain segment of State Route 155  
(Briley Parkway) in Davidson County in honor of  
John A. Hobbs.

WHEREAS, from time to time, the members of this General Assembly have seen fit to name certain highways and bridges in honor of those exemplary citizens and public servants who have contributed significantly to the growth and prosperity of their respective communities; and

WHEREAS, no Tennessean is more deserving of this honor than John A. Hobbs of Davidson County; and

WHEREAS, born February 11, 1928 in Nashville, John A. Hobbs grew up in West Nashville and attended local schools; he is a noted entrepreneur, having been the proprietor of Fiddlers Inn, the Nashville Palace, and a number of museums in the Music Valley area; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hobbs was instrumental in organizing the Music Valley Merchants who work in concert to promote economic activity in their area; a community activist, he has donated much time and resources to the Donelson Senior Citizens; and

WHEREAS, John Hobbs rendered valuable aid in helping the Sisters of Mercy relocate to Pennington Bend, when, together with partners, he provided property and money, and conducted fundraisers on the sisters' behalf; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Hobbs is a person of impeccable morals and irreproachable integrity, who has worked assiduously to establish a brighter future for the good people of his community; he is most fortunate to share to love and support with his wife, Libby and their sons, Ronny, John C., Mike, and Joe; and

WHEREAS, John Hobbs has also served his fellow citizens faithfully in numerous other capacities and has played an instrumental role in helping to launch the careers of a number of prominent country music artists; and

WHEREAS, in appreciation of his meritorious service to the Metropolitan Nashville Davidson County community it is the wish of this body to name a certain segment of State Route 155 (Briley Parkway) to permanently commemorate John Hobbs's bountiful life of purpose and commitment; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that the segment of State Route 155 (Briley Parkway) on Pennington Bend, commencing with such route's intersection with Two Rivers Parkway and proceeding north on Briley Parkway to the Cumberland River in Davidson County is hereby designated as the "John A. Hobbs Highway" in recognition of an outstanding citizen of Nashville - Davidson County who exemplifies the true spirit of the Volunteer State.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Department of Transportation is directed to erect suitable signs or to affix suitable markers designating such segment of State Route 155 as the "John A. Hobbs Highway".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the appellation "John A. Hobbs Memorial Highway" provided for in this resolution is for honorary purposes only and nothing contained herein shall be construed as requiring the alteration of any address, or the government system for assigning addresses, in any governmental entity affected by this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the federal highway administrator advises the Commissioner of Transportation in writing that the provisions of this resolution shall not render Tennessee in violation of federal laws and regulations and subject to penalties prescribed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the erection of such signs shall be within the guidelines prescribed by the Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that this resolution shall become operative only if the cost of the manufacture and installation of such signs is paid to the department of transportation from

non-state funds within one (1) year of the effective date of this resolution. Such payment shall be made prior to any expenditure by the state for the manufacture or installation of such signs. The department shall return any unused portion of the estimated cost to the person or entity paying for such signs within thirty (30) days of the erection of such signs. If the actual cost exceeds the estimated cost, an amount equal to the difference in such costs shall be remitted to the department in non-state funds within thirty (30) days of the sponsoring person or entity receiving an itemized invoice of the actual cost from the department.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this resolution be transmitted to the Commissioner of Transportation.